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TO: The Honorable Llew Jones, Chair, Members of the Senate Highways and Transportation Committee, and Representative Janna Taylor

FROM: Brenda Nordlund, Administrator
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DATE: March 11, 2011

SUBJECT: Clarification on the Use of Translators

During the committee hearing on Thursday, March 10, 2011 I spoke incorrectly about the use of translators when a person is taking a driver license knowledge test and I need to correct the record.

The Department of Justice, Motor Vehicle Division will allow an applicant to use a translator if the applicant's primary language is other than English, Spanish, Russian, or Chinese. The Motor Vehicle Division does not provide a translator, nor do we pay for the services of a translator. We do ask the applicant to bring in a certified translator; however, that is not always possible so we will allow any translator as long as they are not a relative.

The applicant is required to make a specific appointment with our driver license exam station staff. An examiner accompanies the translator and is present at all times while the test is being administered.

I apologize for my mistake and any confusion it may have caused.